

<u>THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES</u>		
<b>Today</b> (05/03)	9:30a	Sunday School
	10:30a	Worship Service
	11:30a	Meeting with New Members
<b>Monday</b> (05/04)	9:00a	Bulletin Information Due Website Information Due
	1:00p	Fellowship Committee Meeting
	6:30p	Triad A Capella Connection
<b>Tuesday</b> (05/05)	11:00a	W&M Committee Meeting
<b>Wednesday</b> (05/06)	9:00a	WW Meeting
	7:00p	Choir Rehearsal
<b>Sunday</b> (05/10)	<b>Mother's Day</b>	
	9:30a	Sunday School
	10:30a	Worship Service

*Financial Update can be found on the bulletin board.*

**The Gathering:** We will meet on Wednesday, May 13, 2026, at 6:00 p.m., to enjoy a variety of soups and salads. If you plan to attend, please register on the sign-up sheet located on the bulletin board in the Narthex. The deadline for registering is 12 noon on Sunday, May 10.

**Pennies for Hunger:** Don't forget to drop your pennies in the "Hunger" pail located in the Narthex.

**Dollars for Missions:** All loose dollar bills placed in the collection plates will be earmarked for mission work—divided between FPC Mission Team and a Salem Presbytery mission.



# First Presbyterian Church

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May 03, 2026—Fifth Sunday of Easter

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PRELUDE

### GATHERING

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Gaze into heaven and see the glory of God. Lift up your eyes to behold the risen Christ.

**All: God is our rock of refuge, a strong fortress. Christ leads us and guides us every day.**

One: Indeed, you have tasted the goodness of God. You have known the presence of Christ, God's chosen one .

**All: Every day, we long for pure spiritual milk. Each day, we are inspired by the living Christ.**

One: Then let us lay our troubles at Christ's feet. Let us enter the sanctuary God prepares for us.

**All: We have come to find the way, the truth, and the life. We are here to ask and to receive and to serve. Let us worship God!**

\*HYMN NO. 634

"To God Be the Glory"

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\*Those who are able, please stand.

## CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We confess that sometimes we have covered our ears so we cannot hear your word of judgment, holy God. We seek to isolate ourselves from a world in pain. We become enemies and persecutors of Christ, who identified with poor, needy, and oppressed people. We reject the One you sent as the way, the truth, and the life. We do not pray, as Jesus prayed, trusting that you hear and respond. O God, deliver us from ourselves. *(The prayer continues in a time of silent, personal confession.)*

Amen.

### RESPONSE

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Let not your hearts be troubled. Whoever believes in God will not be put to shame. If you truly believe, you will show care for others. When you care, you will join in doing the things Jesus did to help all the people God loves. You are chosen to proclaim the mighty acts of One who called you out of the shadows into God's marvelous light. Rejoice! You have received the mercy of God. Friends, believe the good news...

**All:** *In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.*

### \*RESPONSE

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord. Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**All:** *And also with you.*

*(Please share a sign of peace with others.)*

## ANTHEM

### THE WORD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**All:** *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

John 14:1-14

### SERMON

*"Heart Health"*

Rev. John Pruitt

## SENDING

### \*HYMN NO. 838

*"Standing on the Promises"*

PROMISES

### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*"The Apostles' Creed"*

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

### PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

### OFFERTORY

### \*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

### \*HYMN NO. 65

*"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"*

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### BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

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#### Serving Today (May 03)

Greeters/Ushers: Mike & Darcy Polinsky

#### Serving Next Sunday (May 10)

Greeters/Ushers: Mike & Darcy Polinsky  
Element Prep: Priscilla Henderson, Joanne Dramstad  
Assisting Elders: Shari Downing, Nancy Bolen,  
Lynda Self, Mike Polinsky

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